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In determining the specific procedures to be utilized within DESPA, review and coordination was effected with the Central Intelligence Agency, which is the executive agent for control of this type of sensitive information. The Agency advised that within its installation primarily concerned with this type of information, a polygraph is required for its employees. The Agency suggested that the Army consider making a polygraph interview an integral part of its security and selective process prior to assigning a person to the CIA installation involved. The Army was in accord with the CIA proposal and adopted the same security procedures as CIA.

Since DESPA is an activity directly related and dependent upon the CIA installation involved, the security process, including the use of polygraph, was applied to personnel assigned to DESPA beginning in about February of 1962.